IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE K.K.DENESAN

TUESDAY, THE 20TH MARCH 2007 / 29TH PHALGUNA 1928

WP(C).No. 9404 of 2007(T)

PETITIONER:

S.LALAN,ASST.MANAGER,KERALA STATE
FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES LTD,REGIONAL OFFICE,
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.
RESIDING AT 315.B,NETTAYAM,NETTAYAM P.O,
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM-13.

BY ADV. SMT.SREEDEVI KYLASANATH
SMT.K.L.SREEKALA
SRI.K.JITHIN

RESPONDENTS:

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1. THE KERALA STATE FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES LTD,REPRESENTED BY BOARD OF DIRECTORS,CORPORATE OFFICE,THRISSUR.

2. THE MANAGING DIRECTOR,KERALA STATE FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES LTD,CORPORATE OFFICE, THRISSUR.

BY SC SHRI. A.M. SHAFFIQUE

THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 20/03/2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:

K.K.DENESAN, J.

WP(C)No. 9404 OF 2007

Dated this the 20th March, 2007.

JUDGMENT

The petitioner is working as Assistant Manager under the respondents. The second respondent passed Ext.P8 order finding the petitioner guilty of certain charges and imposing on him the penalty of reduction to the lower post. Ext.P8 was passed on 25.9.2004. Petitioner has invoked the statutory remedy and has filed Ext.P9 appeal against Ext.P8. It is seen that Ext.P9 was preferred on 18.10.2004. It is strange to notice that Ext.P9 is kept pending with the Board of Directors of the first respondent for the last more than 2 1/2 years. Counsel for the petitioner submits that reminders have been issued but there is no response from any of the respondents.

2. Heard counsel for the respondents also.

3. In the circumstances it is necessary in the interest of justice to direct the Board of Directors of the first respondent to consider Ext.P9 on merits and dispose of the appeal in accordance with law, without any further delay. Ordered accordingly. A time limit of one month from the date of receipt of a copy of the judgment is fixed for passing orders on Ext.P9 as stated above. Writ petition is disposed of accordingly.

The petitioner shall produce copy of the judgment before the first respondent for information and compliance.

K.K.DENESAN
Judge

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